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Beth Krogel Roads Assistant General Counsel Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

Dear Ms. Roads:

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-28, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation ("IEDC") has reviewed the economic impact analysis for small business associated with rule changes proposed by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") and contained in LSA Document 06-514, which amends 170 IAC 1-1.5-1 to exempt a video franchise application or notice of change form filed under IC 8-1-34 from the ex parte rules of the IURC.

The small business impact statement provided for the rule does not specify the number of entities affected by the rule that are small businesses because those video service providers that do apply for a state certificate of franchise authority are not required to provide the kind of information that would allow the IURC to determine whether the provider meets the definition of a small business. However, the IURC indicates that the changes provided for under the rule do not impose any economic or administrative costs on any affected entities. Rather, the rule changes provide for communication with IURC that could potentially save providers time and money that would otherwise be lost due to incomplete applications. These cost savings could potentially result in a net positive economic impact for affected businesses.

The IEDC does not object to the economic impact associated with the proposed rule changes. If you have any questions about the comments contained herein please contact me at 232-8962 or rasberry@iedc.in.gov.

Regards.

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